

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are currently pending. Claims 1, 4, 5, and 16 have been amended to further clarify the claimed invention. No new matter was introduced as a result of these amendments. The objections to claims 1 and 16 have been addressed by the amendments contained herein. The Examiner has indicated claims 7-15 as being allowable.

Rejection under 35 USC § 102

Claims 1, 6 and 16-18 were rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as being anticipated by the Applicant's admitted prior art. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the feature of claim 4. As the Examiner indicated claim 4 as being allowable, the Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1, as amended, is allowable over what the Examiner characterizes as the Applicant's admitted prior art. Claim 6 depends from claim 1 and is allowable for at least the above stated reasons.

Claim 16 has been amended to incorporate the feature of transforming the acquired raw data of each of the raw data type specific locations to a uniform data type through a memory map transfer using format rules. As the Examiner indicated this feature as being allowable, the Applicants respectfully submit that claim 16, as amended, is allowable over what the Examiner characterizes as the Applicant's admitted prior art. Claims 17 and 18 depend from claim 16 and are allowable for at least the above stated reasons.

Rejection under 35 USC § 103

Claims 2 and 3 were rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over the Applicant's admitted prior art. As discussed above, claim 1, from which claims 2 and 3 depend, has been amended to incorporate the feature of claim 4. As the Examiner has indicated this feature as being allowable, the Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 2 and 3 be removed.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 774-6921. If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. SAGEP001B). A copy of the transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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